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Today's Topics:

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                                FM broadcast station sidebands  
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Let's just stop and smell the coffee  
                    Mods for Kenwood TH-28A ?  
                    My call sign : (  
re: Info wanted on GAP antennas  
                    Repeaters in San Diego area?  
                                Sanskrit  
                                Satellite chasing  
                                UK call signs  
WANTED: Motorola Bravo or Bravo Plus Pagers on 158.10

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We trust that readers are intelligent enough to realize that all text  
herein consists of personal comments and does not represent the official  
policies or positions of any party. Your mileage may vary. So there.

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Date: 31 Jan 93 03:59:03 GMT  
From: news-mail-gateway@ucsd.edu  
Subject: [ANS] Club callsigns  
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

>last summer a pretty good list of University Club Callsigns  
>was compiled....

So, why don't we don't the same for other club callsigns?  
Here's a couple:

KL7AA - Anchorage Alaska  
W5SC - San Antonio Tx  
K3HKI - Paxtunent River MD  
K4AF - HQ USAF, The Pentagon, Wash DC  
W3USS - United States Senate  
W3DOS - Dept of State

Anyone want to add?

[illegible]

Date: 31 Jan 1993 06:22:06 GMT  
From: usc!howland.reston.ans.net!spool.mu.edu!studsys.mscs.mu.edu!  
jason@network.UCSD.EDU  
Subject: [ANS] Club callsigns  
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

In article <9301310359.AA10998@tecnet1.jcte.jcs.mil> jdelancy@tecnet1.jcte.jcs.mil writes:

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>>was compiled....  
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W90DD Marquette University ARC (Milwaukee)  
W9ZL Fox Cities ARC (Appleton, WI)

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Jason Hanson      | 915 W. Wisconsin Ave #1010 | (414) 288-2179
Marquette University | Milwaukee, WI 53233-2373 | Ham Radio: N9LEA/AA
-- jason@studsys.mscs.mu.edu      ==+==      n9lea@n0ary.#nocal.ca.usa.na --

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Date: 31 Jan 93 09:26:33 GMT  
From: news-mail-gateway@ucsd.edu  
Subject: AURORA WATCH: Middle Latitude Auroral Activity WATCH - 31 Jan  
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

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MIDDLE LATITUDE AURORAL ACTIVITY WATCH

ISSUED: 06:00 UT, 31 JANUARY

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VALID UNTIL: 19:00 UTC ON 01 FEBRUARY

MODERATE RISK PERIOD: 31 JANUARY - 01 FEBRUARY (UT days)

PREDICTED ACTIVITY INDICES FOR NEXT 3 DAYS: 25, 15, 10  
(INPUT INTO THE PREDICTIVE AURORA SOFTWARE \*)

POTENTIAL MAGNITUDE OF MIDDLE LATITUDE AURORAL ACTIVITY: MODERATE

EXPECTED LUNAR INTERFERENCE: LOW TO MODERATE

OVERALL OPPORTUNITY FOR OBSERVATIONS FROM MIDDLE LATITUDES: FAIR TO GOOD

AURORAL ACTIVITY MAY BE OBSERVED APPROXIMATELY NORTH OF A LINE FROM...

SOUTHERN WASHINGTON STATE TO NORTHERN WYOMING TO SOUTH DAKOTA TO  
SOUTHERN MINNESOTA TO WISCONSIN TO MICHIGAN TO NORTHERN NEW YORK  
STATE TO NEW HAMPSHIRE TO MAINE.

ACTIVITY MAY ALSO BE OBSERVED APPROXIMATELY NORTH OF A LINE FROM...

NORTHERN U.K. TO SOUTHERN DENMARK AND MOST OF NORWAY, INCLUDING  
CENTRAL TO SOUTHERN SWEDEN AND MOST OF FINLAND AND INTO NORTHERN  
RUSSIA. THIS IS NOT EXPECTED TO BE A PARTICULARLY GOOD OPPORTUNITY  
FOR AREAS OF SOUTHERN AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND, ALTHOUGH SOME WEAK  
DIFFUSE ACTIVITY MAY BE GLIMPSED FOR BRIEF PERIODS IF CONDITIONS  
BECOME FAVORABLE.

\* Contact: Oler@Rho.Uleth.CA or COler@Solar.Stanford.Edu for more information  
regarding the Auroral Activity Prediction and Simulation Software.

SYNOPSIS...

A solar coronal disturbance has begun affecting levels of auroral

activity. Activity has become enhanced. Auroral oval expansion has occurred with intensified luminosity, making the activity easily visible from most Canadian provinces and most northern U.S. states. The activity is predominantly inactive and diffuse, but some brief substorm periods have been reported over localized regions. This is not a significant episode of activity. Lower latitudes are not expected to observe any of this activity. Lunar phase will provide minor interference during this disturbance.

This WATCH will remain active until 19:00 UT on 01 February when it will either be updated or allowed to expire.

\*\* End of Watch \*\*

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Date: 31 Jan 93 09:11:33 GMT  
From: news-mail-gateway@ucsd.edu  
Subject: Daily Solar Geophysical Data Broadcast for 30 January  
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

!!BEGIN!! (1.0) S.T.D. Solar Geophysical Data Broadcast for DAY 030, 01/30/93  
10.7 FLUX=113 90-AVG=135 SSN=050 BKI=2423 2222 BAI=010  
BGND-XRAY=B2.1 FLU1=8.3E+05 FLU10=9.6E+03 PKI=2313 2223 PAI=009  
BOU-DEV=015,048,013,037,019,010,010,012 DEV-AVG=020 NT SWF=00:000  
XRAY-MAX= B8.1 @ 0119UT XRAY-MIN= B1.9 @ 1001UT XRAY-AVG= B2.5  
NEUTN-MAX= +002% @ 2150UT NEUTN-MIN= -002% @ 2055UT NEUTN-AVG= -0.1%  
PCA-MAX= +0.1DB @ 0640UT PCA-MIN= -0.3DB @ 0710UT PCA-AVG= -0.0DB  
BOUTF-MAX=55416NT @ 1545UT BOUTF-MIN=55390NT @ 1913UT BOUTF-AVG=55405NT  
GOES7-MAX=P:+138NT@ 1951UT GOES7-MIN=N:-003NT@ 1016UT G7-AVG=+084,+022,+010  
GOES6-MAX=P:+155NT@ 1756UT GOES6-MIN=E:-013NT@ 1855UT G6-AVG=+095,+001,+033  
FLUXFCST=STD:110,110,105;SESC:110,110,105 BAI/PAI-FCST=012,010,010/012,010,010  
KFCST=3333 3332 2223 3322 27DAY-AP=024,022 27DAY-KP=5445 3433 4234 5343  
WARNINGS=\*AURMIDWCH  
ALERTS=  
!!END-DATA!!

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Date: Sun, 31 Jan 1993 06:26:23 GMT  
From: haven.umd.edu!wam.umd.edu!adam@purdue.edu  
Subject: FCC rules  
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

Anyone know where to get part 97 online? I have an old one that doesn't say anything about Tech or Tech Plus.

--Adam

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Date: 31 Jan 93 01:48:54 GMT  
From: swrinde!gatech!paladin.american.edu!howland.reston.ans.net!spool.mu.edu!  
hri.com!ukma!netnews.louisville.edu!wkuvx1!scottcr@network.UCSD.EDU  
Subject: FM broadcast station sidebands  
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

In article <1993Jan28.060035.1778@ke4zv.uucp>, gary@ke4zv.uucp (Gary Coffman) writes:

> In article <1993Jan26.122411.10075@hemlock.cray.com> dadams@cray.com writes:  
>>

>>So my question is, what would one have to do to modify a reciever, or build  
>>a reciever to tune in such broadcasts? Would it be hard? Why don't  
>>commercial manufactures supply such a function, at least for the more  
>>pricy recievers?

>

> The word you are looking for is "subcarrier", and the equipment you  
> want is called a SCA or SubCarrier Adapter. All stereo FM stations,  
                    ^^^

= Subsidiary Communications Authorization

> and BTSC stereo TV stations transmit subcarriers. For FM stations,  
> there is a suppressed carrier at 19 kHz carrying the L-R information  
> of the broadcast while the main channel transmits L+R, and a 38 kHz  
> pilot tone to phase lock the quadrature demodulator for the stereo  
> reconstruction. These subcarriers are applied as baseband modulation  
> to the RF carrier.

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Actually, the Pilot is at 19 khz, the L-R DSB signal is at 38 khz.

> Above the stereo subcarriers, other program material may be encoded on  
> other subcarriers. One common frequency is 62 kHz. This subcarrier may  
> be NBFM modulated with secondary programing such as "elevator music" or  
> foreign language translation or reading service for the blind or stock  
> ticker information or \_Sky Page\_ pager information and so on. These  
> programs have common carrier status and are not intended for reception  
> by the general public. That's why no commercial broadcast receiver has  
> a built in SCA. "Elevator music", or Muzak, is a commercial service  
> that \*charges\* for it's programing, as do the \_Sky Page\_ and stock  
> ticker services. Reading for the Blind is a free service, but only  
> makes SCA equipment available to blind people.

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42 khz is standard for mono stations; 67 and 92 for normal stations;  
57 khz is standard for Cue paging and RDS.

All of the aural SCAs are simply Fming the 67 or 92 khz with their  
audio.

> However, SCA equipment is often sold in the back pages of hobbiest  
> magazines such as \_Popular Electronics\_. Basically how they work is  
> they are connected directly to the demodulator of the broadcast radio  
> before the low pass filtering that removes any signals above the  
> audible range. They use a PLL circuit to lock onto and demodulate  
> the 57, 62, 67, or 72 kHz subcarrier signal.

>

> Gary

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> Gary Coffman KE4ZV | You make it, | gatech!wa4mei!ke4zv!gary

The best deal on SCA decoders is found for \$15 in the classifieds of  
"Radio World" this can be borrowed from virtually any commerical  
radio station.

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Chris Scott, C/E Public Radio, Western KY Univ, (502) 745-3834  
SCOTTCCR@WKUVX1.BITNET fx off: 745-2084 fx hm: 781-1232

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Date: 30 Jan 93 22:49:48 GMT  
From: swrinde!sdd.hp.com!think.com!spool.mu.edu!howland.reston.ans.net!  
zaphod.mps.ohio-state.edu!magnus.acs.ohio-state.edu!csn!ub!dsinc!  
netnews.upenn.edu!hp800.lasalle.edu!kupiec@network.UCSD.  
Subject: Here's TH-78 solution  
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

In <103360141@hpfcs0.FC.HP.COM>, goris@hpfcs0.FC.HP.COM writes:

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> THE PROBLEM: You turn on the radio with one of the microphone buttons  
> pressed so you can program it. Instead of coming up with  
> the prompt to program the button, the radio turns on and  
> acts like you pushed the button (with the old definition)  
> AFTER power was turned on.

>

> THE SOLUTION: Hold down the 1,2,or3 button on the microphone, then  
> Hold down the power button FOR ABOUT A SECOND when you  
> turn on power (as opposed to pressing it quickly).  
> This solves the problem.

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>I'd be curious to know if this problem manifests itself with other  
>[key] [power-on] sequences.

This is the procedure that \*MUST\* be followed for all key+power sequences.  
It took me a couple of tries to figure this out myself. When the manual  
says "press key+power" it means "press key+power & \*HOLD\* these keys for 1-2  
seconds". It's just another flaw in the documentation that popped up when  
it was translated from the Japanese.

73, N3MML

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\\ \ Bob Kupiec - Amateur Radio Packet: N3MML @ wb3ftp.#epa.pa.usa.noam / \ \  
/ \ \ Internet: kupiec@hp800.lasalle.edu (or) (UUCP site is temp down) / \ \ /  
\\ \ \ LaSalle University, 20th St. & Olney Ave., Philadelphia, PA / \ \ \ \  
/ \ \ \ Top 10 uses for your Intel CPU: Number 10: Test hammers / \ \ \ \

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Date: Sun, 31 Jan 1993 00:05:03 GMT  
From: swrinde!gatech!paladin.american.edu!darwin.sura.net!knuth.mtsu.edu!raider!  
theporch!jackatak!martinbw@network.UCSD.EDU  
Subject: Let's just stop and smell the coffee  
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

I find it humorous to read the posting s that poke a little fun at  
ourselves whether we are "REAL-HAMS", "NO-CODE TECHS" or some thing else.  
For 20 years I had an interest in HAM radio but was so intimidated by the  
code requirement I never even tried to take a test. 3 months ago I  
started going to a local gathering of HAMS working on upgrading their  
licenses. I got a set of code tapes and listened to them for a few weeks.  
When it came time for the tests I went in to take the tests knowing that  
I knew enough to pass the written elements and if I passed the code  
great, if not, at least I would come out of the test as a No-Code Tech.  
Because the pressure was off, I went in to the test relaxed and passed  
the 13wpm test. Since then i have passed the tests for my Advanced class  
license. Now if the FCC will just get on the stick and send me a license.  
If the the No-Code Tech license did not exist I would still be waiting  
and wishing I were a HAM. I think it is great that we can poke a little  
fun at ourselves without gOUNg ballistic on each other. Let's just calm  
down and laugh a little.

PAX,  
Bruce

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martinbw@jackatak.raider.net (Bruce Martin)  
-----jackatak.raider.net (615) 377-5980 -----

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Date: 31 Jan 93 07:59:19 GMT  
From: sdcc12!sdcc13!cbirn@network.UCSD.EDU  
Subject: Mods for Kenwood TH-28A ?  
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

I just got a new Kenwood TH-28A a while back, and I was wondering if anyone had any mods for this radio. I know that it has MARS/CAP mod capability, but I don't have these mods. I'd appreciate it if anyone could post them or e-mail them to me.

Also - the radio was advertised as being able to receive 118-173.995 MHz, but when I got it, it could only receive 136.000-173.995 MHz. Does anyone know what's wrong? What can I do to "fix" this? Any help is appreciated.

Thanx in advance, 73...

Chris  
KD6OUM  
cbirn@sdcc13.ucsd.edu

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Date: 29 Jan 93 22:51:00 GMT  
From: news-mail-gateway@ucsd.edu  
Subject: My call sign : (  
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

I just couldn't resist replying when I saw your name. (Even if you don't spell it right :-)

regards, Bryan Weaver, VE3TRJ

\* 1st 1.02b #1040 \* Keep your nose to the grindstone ..... OUCH!!

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| Baudeville BBS - Over 2200 conferences in 12 networks |  
| Over 2 gigabytes of shareware. 1-416-283-0114 v32bis/HST |  
| |  
|=====Be kind to our feeds. No email over 15K please.=====|



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Date: Sun, 31 Jan 93 00:13:57 CST  
From: sdd.hp.com!cs.utexas.edu!convex!news.oc.com!utacfd.uta.edu!rwsys!ricksys!  
news@network.UCSD.EDU  
Subject: re: Info wanted on GAP antennas  
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

Rajiv Dewan r-dewan@nwu.edu writes:

> 160m Gets out but is absolutely deaf. The following instance typifies  
> my experience with it.  
> One evening I called CQ in the DX Window. Did not hear a thing.  
> Some one else qsy to my frequency to answer a G who had replied  
> my CQ.

You aren't supposed to transmit in the DX window are you?

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Internet: rick@ricksys.lonestar.org  
If I bounce (the maps have errors that I have no control over) then use  
bo836@cleveland.freenet.edu  
BITNET: bo836%cleveland.freenet.edu@cunyvms

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Date: 31 Jan 93 08:03:34 GMT  
From: sdcc12!sdcc13!cbirn@network.UCSD.EDU  
Subject: Repeaters in San Diego area?  
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

Does anyone know of any repeaters for 2-meters in the San  
Diego area? So far I'm just scanning, and I haven't had  
much luck. Any help would be appreciated.

Thanks, 73....

Chris  
KD6OUM  
cbirn@sdcc13.ucsd.edu

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Date: 31 Jan 93 04:31:17 GMT  
From: swrinde!zaphod.mps.ohio-state.edu!cs.utexas.edu!ut-emx!astro.as.utexas.edu!  
oo7@network.UCSD.EDU  
Subject: Sanskrit

To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

>"...send and receive text in Morse Code." I think that implies the  
>ability to translate, don't you? The exam sheet in question had the  
>Sanskrit, with characters written below. There were 25 good characters,  
>so it's a "pass".

Perry

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I guess I don't understand why anyone would want to do this in the  
first place, unless it was a joke. Do you recognize Sanskrit? It  
might have been a sort of shorthand way of writing the dots and  
dashes, which were then translated into letters. Does Sanskrit  
have the same alphabet as Amurrican, or is there at least a 1:1  
mapping of CW --> Sanskrit --> English? I admit that I have no  
idea - Enquiring Minds and all that...

Apologies if this was posted more than once, using a new posting  
program here with a mind of its own -

Derek Wills (AA5BT, G3NMX)  
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oo7@emx.utexas.edu

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Date: 30 Jan 1993 15:01:39 GMT  
From: mintaka.lcs.mit.edu!ai-lab!silver.lcs.mit.edu!moisan@yale.arpa  
Subject: Satellite chasing  
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

There's no FAQ that I'm aware of, though I am thinking of writing one.  
(I and Johnathan Vail, N1DXG, recently made a presentation about  
amateur satellites at this year's Arisia, an SF convention in Boston.)

An excellent book you should pick up anyway, is Martin Davidoff's  
"Satellite Experimenter's Handbook"; see also the AMSAT email-list  
at kb5mu@amsat.org.

Good luck! Satellites are the future!

73's, N1KGH

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| David Moisan, N1KGH     / ^ \ \_ / ^ \     dmoisan@pro-angmar.alfalfa.com |  
| 86 Essex St. Apt #204 ( o ^ o )     moisan@silver.lcs.mit.edu     |  
| Salem. MA 01970-5225     | |     |  
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Date: 31 Jan 93 02:48:27 GMT  
From: swrinde!zaphod.mps.ohio-state.edu!howland.reston.ans.net!spool.mu.edu!  
olivea!charnel!sifon!thunder.mcrcim.mcgill.edu!control3@network.UCSD.EDU  
Subject: UK call signs  
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

I would like to know the call signs currently in use in  
UK. What should I be listening for on HF. Is it  
always G3 etc. I was just wondering because the ARRL  
handbook gives several prefixes other than G for the UK.

Thanks.  
Mark.  
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Mark Readman                             | McGill Research Centre for Intelligent Machines  
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Date: Sun, 31 Jan 93 00:05:55 PST  
From: sdd.hp.com!crash!slic!mikey@network.UCSD.EDU  
Subject: WANTED: Motorola Bravo or Bravo Plus Pagers on 158.10  
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

I've a need for some digital display pagers (Bravo's are  
prefered) on the standard 158.100 Mhz. paging channel.

If anyone has something fitting the caption, would appreciate  
hearing from you.

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Mike, San Diego, CA USA     Public Key Available  
mikey@slic.cts.com     GEnie: SLIC     Ham: WB6WUI  
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Date: Fri, 29 Jan 93 05:42:54 GMT  
From: gatech!rpi!newsserver.pixel.kodak.com!laidbak!tellab5!balr!ttd.teradyne.com!  
news@uunet.uu.net

To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

References <14570593@hpnmdla.sr.hp.com>, <14570596@hpnmdla.sr.hp.com>,  
<1993Jan26.171544.8846@ke4zv.uucp>.p  
Subject : Re: Ham Radio Causes Cancer!

In article <1993Jan26.171544.8846@ke4zv.uucp>, gary@ke4zv.uucp (Gary Coffman) writes:

> In article <14570596@hpnmdla.sr.hp.com> alanb@hpnmdla.sr.hp.com (Alan Bloom) writes:

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>>Also note that the field in a typical home just due to the house wiring  
>>is typically around 1-2 milligauss. And the field around something like  
>>a stove burner or microwave oven is in the high ten's of milligauss.  
>>If there really is a health problem associated with low levels of AC  
>>magnetic fields, we better rewire the whole country for DC.

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> Yeah, I poo-pooed Tommy Edison when he and Georgie Westinghouse were  
> fighting over Nicky Tesla's new fangled AC, but maybe Tommy had something  
> after all. Of course nobody would pay any attention to Tommy because  
> by then he was deaf as a post and couldn't copy Morris by ear anymore.  
>

Wonder what the field is under an Electric Blanket ?

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John Rice - K9IJ		"Did I say that ?" I must have, but It was
rice@ttd.teradyne.com		MY opinion only, no one else's...Especially
(708)-940-9000 - (work)		Not my Employer's.... Licensed since 1959
(708)-438-5065 - (bbs )		Ex: K8YZR, KH6GHC, WB9CSP, W9MMB, WA1TXV

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Date: Sun, 31 Jan 1993 00:14:21 GMT  
From: sun-barr!cs.utexas.edu!hermes.chpc.utexas.edu!news.utdallas.edu!  
cyoon@ames.arpa  
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

References <stellabo.727010877@phage.cshl.org>, <C1I2KA.CLz@utdallas.edu>,  
<1kbn0oINNnuf@transfer.stratus.com>(  
Subject : Re: Beginner's Rig

In article <1kbn0oINNnuf@transfer.stratus.com> fms@sw.stratus.com (Faith Senie) writes:

>In article <C1I2KA.CLz@utdallas.edu>, cyoon@utdallas.edu (CHANG K YOON) writes:

>> In article <stellabo.727010877@phage.cshl.org> stellabo@phage.cshl.org (Fred

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>> Stellabotte) writes:
>> >
>> >Just a Tip ... Radio Schack just put their HDX-100 ten meter rig
>> >on sale for $199.
>> >
>> >-Fred
>> >
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>> Slight problem.  He's a no-code Tech which means that he can't use a 10
>> meter till he gets the code.
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>[stuff deleted]
>on it, because I can't "use" them...
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>
>73 de Faith N1JIT/AA
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>--
>Faith M. Senie           InterNet: fms@vos.stratus.com
>Stratus Computer, Inc.   InterNet: fms@hoop.sw.stratus.com
>55 Fairbanks Blvd.      Pkt Radio: n1jit@ka1srd.ma.usa.na
>Marlboro, MA 01752      Phone: (508)460-2632
>
>"I'm afraid I don't know very much about Romulan Disruptor settings" --Spock

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I guess you misunderstood my post. The original poster asked about a good beginners rig that he could use (TX/RX). Because he is a no-code Tech, he cannot use (TX/RX) the HTX-100. Hope this cleared up some things.

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Chang Yoon                | "Our children know EVERYTHING, we
cyoon@utdallas.edu        | have cable." - Ms. Penbroke, C 'n C
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Date: 31 Jan 1993 07:33:57 UTC
From: pacbell.com!UB.com!quack!mrapple@network.UCSD.EDU
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

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References <14570593@hpnmdla.sr.hp.com>, <14570596@hpnmdla.sr.hp.com>,  
 <231@kc2wz.bubble.org>  
 Subject : Re: Ham Radio Causes Cancer!

Wait a second here. The dangerous effects of UHF and SHF RF cannot be dismissed so easily. High energy RF photons are not good for you. In sufficient quantity and energy, they cook things. Why else do microwaves work?

Now that doesn't mean that cellular phones can be used to warm your lunch. :-) But has there been any research to determine what combinations of power and frequency are required to do biological damage? I am unaware of any. In the absence of truly scientific guidance on the matter, what's a fellow to do?

For myself, If I ever get a phone, I'm going to keep the antenna at least six inches away from my head. If that means a trunk-mount, then so be it. And I formed that opinion long before the current media crisis.

I believe that 900 MHz is high enough a frequency to deserve respect. If I'm wrong, what has it hurt? If I'm right, look what I might avoid. I've got no problem using a cell phone or any other mid-to-high UHF, low power transmitter. But I don't think it's prudent to let them get within six inches of my head unless they're well shielded.

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Nick Sayer <mrapple@quack.sac.ca.us> | "I don't mind shooting, so long  
N6QQQ @ N0ARY.#NOCAL.CA.USA.NOAM | as the right people get shot."  
+1 408 249 9630, log in as 'guest' |  
PGP 2.1 public key on request | -- "Dirty" Harry Calahan

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